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**NEWS RELEASE**

## **EPFD responds to Condition 2 fire**

### **Firefighters respond to Condition 2 fire at 1000 block of S. Oregon St.**

*El Paso, Texas* – At approximately 10:17 p.m. on Sunday Jan. 29, the El Paso Fire Department was dispatched to a condition 2 fire at the 1000 block of S. Oregon St. when a passerby saw smoke and fire and called 9-1-1. Upon arriving on the scene at 10:20 p.m., crews found heavy smoke coming from the back of the home and electrical wires arching overhead. Firefighters began to simultaneously fight the fire and search for residents inside. Since the residents had already evacuated, firefighters continued to fight the fire.

The fire was under control at approximately 10:54 p.m. and was contained to 50% of the home. Damage is estimated at \$25,000. The cause and origin of the fire is under investigation.

There were no injuries to residents or firefighters. A total of 11 units and 28 personnel from the El Paso Fire Department responded to this incident.

The El Paso Fire Department would like to remind the public that in less than 30 seconds, a small flame can get completely out of control and begin filling a home with thick, black, poisonous smoke. In just a few minutes, a home can become completely engulfed with flames. With the advance notice of a working smoke alarm, residents can escape with their lives.

To request fire extinguisher training, help with a home/work escape plan or inquire about smoke alarms, the public can call (915) 485-5699 or visit [www.elpasotexas.gov/fire-department/services](http://www.elpasotexas.gov/fire-department/services).

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